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1. Communist groups in Canton in early November 1949 were still contending among themselves* for political control. Although YEH Chien-ying (葉劍英) is mayor of Canton, governor of Kwangtung Province, and chairman of the Kwangtung Military Control Commission, he exercises only partial control over the Kwangtung-Kwangsi Border Column and lacks authority among the military group. Deputy Mayor CHU Kuang (朱光), who was the first municipal official to reach Canton, named his own followers to city offices. Conflicts arose when YEH, in his official capacity, replaced CHU's appointees with his own men. Other groups also striving for supremacy are those headed by Deputy Mayor LI Chang-ta (李章達), a non-Communist, of the Democratic League, and General CHEN Keng (陳慶)**, whose troops were first to enter the city.
2. Until the formal establishment of the Kwangtung Military Control Commission, Communist authorities in Canton occupied temporary offices in the residence of former Nationalist General HUANG Ti-ao (黃濤). After the Council was formed, they took over the offices formerly used by the Executive Yuan and the municipal government. Canton Mayor YEH Chien-ying, who had been living at the Oi Kuan Hotel, moved into the Tungshan residence of HSUH Yueh, former Nationalist governor of Kwangtung. Deputy Mayor LI Chang-ta took over the Mei Hua Ts'un (梅花村) residence of Nationalist Mayor LI Yang-ching (李揚敬). Other personnel are billeted at the East Asia Bank Building, the New Asia Hotel, and at the New China Hotel.
3. The Military Control Commission has a civilian staff of more than a thousand persons. Most of its middle and lower ranking members are graduates of the Wu-Han (Wuchang-Hankow) Military and Political Cadre Training School. The civilian as well as the military members of the Council wear an armband of white cotton with red characters: 共產黨。 All public servants report to their offices at seven a.m. for instruction on the New Democracy. Working hours, from nine a.m. to five p.m., include compulsory attendance at small discussion groups, and there is a singing and dancing meeting after office hours. Nationalist staff members in all agencies were removed from payrolls.

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by the Communist authorities. All income from post offices, water and power services, state-managed factories, banks, and railroads is controlled by the Communists.

4. On 10 October about a thousand members of the Southward Advance Work Unit, left Kanchow (Kan Hsien, 114-54, 25-52) for Canton via Chuchiang (113-33, 24-55). On 15 October the Military and Political University of the Communist 2nd Field Army also moved from Kanchow to Canton. The university is directed by CH'EN Keng. The Second Field Army enrolled 1,500 students in the fourth branch of the Military and Political University. After a one-month training course, which began 27 November, these students will be sent to Kunming to act as administrative cadre for the Communist occupying forces.
5. The Southern University, under Communist auspices, has been established in the former presidential headquarters in Canton. On 2 December it began enrollment of a student body limited to 3,500. The six-months course includes required classes in theory of Marxism and Leninism, philosophy of MAO Tsetung, theory of the New Democracy, history of the Chinese Communist Party, and policies of the Chinese Communist Party. YEH Chien-ying is president of the university.
6. The air department of the Kwangtung Military Control Commission has enlisted three hundred new employees for various sections of military and civil aviation units. Recruiting is also carried on in Hong Kong and an agency is planned there to enlist former CNAC and CATEC personnel.

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* [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] states that YEH Chien-ying, LIN Piao, and LI Chi-shen were contending for political control in Canton. YEH Chien-ying, who was Communist mayor of Peiping before he was appointed to the other post in Canton, is also Chief of Staff of the Communist Army.
[REDACTED] for additional information on YEH Chien-ying.

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